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**From:** Wester, Barbara  
**Sent:** Wed 2/15/2017 6:09:57 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Discussion about Michigan Wetlands Permit

hi gussie – here are a new set of times – do any of these work for your group? barbara

monday, 2/27, 2:30-3:30

tuesday, 2/28, 9-10, 2-3

wednesday, 3/1, 9-10, 10 – 11.

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**Subject:** RE: Discussion about Michigan Wetlands Permit

Thank you!

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hi gussie – i think i need to start over and look at schedules here. i will try to get back to you later today. barbara

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Barbara,

I'm sorry, but one of the key folks from Menominee can't make that time Thursday. Tomorrow between 11:00-12 would work, or alternatively, we could push it back a week or two. Whichever works for you.

Thanks, and I apologize for the confusion.

Gussie

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Hi Barbara,

Thursday from 9:30-10:30 will work for us if you all are still available. Yes, we would like to discuss Michigan's authority over the wetlands permitting program, EPA's oversight process and which federal regulations apply to Michigan pursuant to the MOA between Michigan and EPA.

I've copied the folks from the Menominee Tribe who should be invited to participate.

Thank you very much for your assistance.

Gussie

**From:** Wester, Barbara [<mailto:wester.barbara@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2017 9:06 AM  
**To:** Gussie Lord <[glord@jillgrantlaw.com](mailto:glord@jillgrantlaw.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Discussion about Michigan Wetlands Permit

hi gussie - i've checked with folks here, and the necessary people are available on thursday, february 16, between 9:30 and 10:30, central time. we can also have almost everyone available on wednesday february 15, any time between 10 and 12, so there is a preference here for thursday.

i think you are referencing wanting to discuss the wetlands permit - which falls under section 404 of the clean water act - but let me know if that is not the case.

if this time works for you i will set up a conference line for the call. thanks for your patience, barbara

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**Subject:** RE: Discussion about Michigan Wetlands Permit

Hi Barbara,

Just following up to see whether you've heard back from the wetlands people about their availability for an informational call on the applicability of federal regulations to Michigan's 303 permit process.

Thanks!

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**Subject:** RE: Discussion about Michigan Wetlands Permit

That would be great; thank you very much, Barbara.

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**Subject:** RE: Discussion about Michigan Wetlands Permit

gussie – thank you for your message.

i suggest that for a call involving EPA's review of the wetlands permit, that our wetlands folks be part of the discussion. i will reach out to them and see if we can provide some potential discussion times, if that works for you. barbara

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**Subject:** Discussion about Michigan Wetlands Permit

Good Afternoon, Barbara:

As you may know, Aquila Resources submitted a wetlands dredge-and-fill permit to Michigan DEQ last week for the Back Forty Project in Michigan which, if approved, will impact Menominee Tribal cultural and historical resources. I have been working with the Menominee Tribe of Wisconsin and they have some questions relating to the permit and what kind of review EPA, USACE and FWS will conduct. We would like to have a call with you sometime this week, if you are available, to discuss which federal regulations apply to the Michigan permit, particularly with regard to the Tribe's historical and cultural resources.

Please let me know if you are available to have a conference call this week; any information you may have would be appreciated.

Thank you,

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